

and his courageous service to this country.●

TRIBUTE TO JOEL STUBBLEFIELD

● Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of Joel R. Stubblefield, president and chancellor of the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith. For over 22 years, Joel made immeasurable contributions to education in Arkansas, serving the students and citizens of Fort Smith with passion and dedication.

Following his studies at Ouachita Baptist University and Syracuse University and his military training at the Army Command and General Staff College, Joel dedicated his life to improving education opportunities for others. He strengthened programs and increased faculty at UA Fort Smith and established the Western Arkansas Technical Center for high school students who sought to take college courses to get ahead.

With his vision and leadership, Joel elevated UA Fort Smith from a 2-year to a 4-year institution. He increased enrollment by more than 100 percent, while simultaneously improving the quality of the curriculum dramatically. As president and chancellor, Joel raised nearly \$60 million in private donations for new buildings, equipment, and scholarships. Yet as willing as Joel was to raise money for the school, he was just as eager to donate his own funds. Joel was known to use personal resources to pay students' tuition and he refused a salary increase for 5 years because he was unable to raise faculty salaries. Joel once even bought a bicycle for a student who did not have transportation.

Earlier this summer, Joel shared with me his latest goals for higher education in northwest Arkansas. He loved the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith and dedicated himself fully to its continued improvement. We can honor Joel's memory by applying the same commitment and generosity toward improving educational opportunities for Arkansas students.●

HONORING THE WOMEN OF VFW AUXILIARY UNIT NO. 60

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to publicly commend the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Unit No. 60 from Humboldt, SD, for their many years of devoted service to the Humboldt community.

In late November of 1929, the Humboldt VFW Auxiliary No. 60 began with only 10 members. Seventy-six years later, Unit No. 60 boasts 68 devoted and patriotic members, all from the Humboldt community and surrounding areas.

Each year, Unit No. 60 participates in numerous community activities. In addition to volunteering at the Sioux Falls VA hospital and donating money for personal care items, coffee, and other products on the VA wish list, the

women of Unit No. 60 also help coordinate Bingo Night, the VA Halloween party, and a variety of Christmas activities. During the holiday season, these caring and patriotic ladies also distribute gifts while visiting shut-ins and veterans residing in nursing homes. Each December, they send stamps to community members serving in the military, and also buy postage for local groups wishing to send care packages to soldiers overseas. Additionally, during Scholarship Week, held every November at the West Central School District, these altruistic women bring apples to all the teachers, aids, janitors, members of the kitchen staff, and administration.

For the past 14 years, members of the Humboldt VFW have been fixtures at the annual Threshing Bee held every August. For 3 days, they prepare breakfast and sell their famous homemade pies from their familiar canvas tent. In turn, funds they raise support community projects. This year, Unit No. 60 graciously donated to numerous local charities and organizations, namely: West Central Future Farmers of America, Community Club Fund, Volunteer Firemen, Volunteer Ambulance, Buddy Walk, Special Olympics, and Creative Arts for Veterans, in addition to purchasing dictionaries that were distributed to third-grade students at West Central Elementary.

Mr. President, I am proud to have this opportunity to honor the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Unit No. 60 for their outstanding and compassionate service. Their commitment to our Nation's veterans and to furthering and enhancing the education of elementary school students is admirable. I strongly commend their years of hard work and dedication, and I am very pleased that their substantial efforts are being publicly honored and celebrated. It is with great honor that I share their impressive commitment to civic duty with my colleagues.●

TRIBUTE TO THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, ON ITS 30TH ANNIVERSARY

● Mr. BOND. Mr. President, it is with great pleasure that I rise to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Associated Students of the University of Missouri.

Recognizing the need to establish a means by which students could become involved and impact the political process, the Associated Students of the University of Missouri, ASUM, began in June of 1975. While their first chapter opened in Columbia, ASUM has grown and extended to include student representatives from every branch of the University of Missouri system.

As the student voice in State and Federal government, ASUM works diligently to encourage the student body to participate in the political process. Through their student advocacy, ASUM has achieved many accomplishments over the last 30 years including

the establishment of the Bright Flight Scholarship Program, the appointment of a student representative to the Missouri Board of Curators, sales tax exemptions on textbooks, and loan forgiveness programs for teachers and medical/veterinary doctors who serve in high-need areas of Missouri. It has been my pleasure to work with the ASUM specifically on the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act.

I congratulate the Associated Students of the University of Missouri on their first 30 years of political advocacy for students and look forward to working with them for years to come.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 420. An act to amend Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to improve attorney accountability, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1461. An act to reform the regulation of certain housing-related Government-sponsored enterprises, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill H.R. 2744 making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 37. An act to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years.

The enrolled bill was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 420. An act to amend Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to improve attorney accountability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1461. An act to reform the regulation of certain housing-related Government-sponsored enterprises, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, October 31, 2005, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 37. An act to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years.